

## **Department of Health and Human Services**

### **Priority Service Outcomes**

The Department of Health and Human Services measures performance based upon the following priorities:

- Customer Satisfaction: Customers accessing health and human services in the County are satisfied in terms of responsiveness and timeliness; courtesy and respect; and overall experience with the services.
- Beneficial Impact to Residents: Health and human services that serve to improve the health, contribute to housing permanency and financial well-being, and safety of residents. Risk mitigation and greater independence and improved health are key outcomes monitored by the Department.

Specific service outcomes measured by the Department's Service Areas are listed on the following pages. For each Service Area, measures are delineated by:

- Outcome Area: 1) Risk mitigation; 2) Greater independence; 3) Improved health; and 4) Customer Satisfaction
- Type of Service: The general category of services provided to residents
- Performance Measure: The measure monitored by the Service Area, by which progress towards meeting community needs is measured.
- Outcome Construct: The broad, anticipated outcome expected from customer participation in the service.

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| Aging & Disabilities Services           |  |  |   |
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| Outcome Area                            | Type of Service  | Performance Measure  | Outcome Construct                               |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Personal Care Services   | Percent of customers whose basic needs are met (e.g., activities of daily living, functional independence)   | Basic Needs Met / Quality of Life               |
| Greater Independence                    | Job training   | Percentage of participants/clients who find a permanent job  | Employment / Financial Security                 |
| Greater Independence                    | Job training   | Of those who find a permanent job, the percentage that keep it for more than 12 months.  | Employment / Financial Security                 |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Money management for clients unable to pay their own bills                       | Percent of bills paid on time -- minimum 90%   | Financial security                              |
| Risk Mitigation                         | Home visits to isolated seniors  | Percent of clients reporting they feel less lonely because of their relationship with a volunteer visitor -- minimum 90%   | Improved social connectedness / Quality of Life |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Counseling and education on health insurance, medical billing and related topics | Percentage of clients who were helped by the program to "solve a problem, make a decision, or understand an issue concerning their insurance or health benefits" | Financial security                              |
| Risk Mitigation                         | legal services   | Percent of customers/clients receiving legal services that have favorable outcomes (benchmark is 80%)  | Risk reduction / financial security             |
| Greater Independence                    | legal services   | Percent of customers that have the knowledge/information to solve their problem after service provided   | improved preparation/knowledge                  |
| Greater Independence                    | transportation   | Percent of customers having increased connection to the community  | Improved social connectedness / Quality of Life |

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### Aging & Disabilities Services

| Outcome Area                            | Type of Service   | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct   |
|---|---|---|---|
| Risk Mitigation                         | Administration of caregiver services i.e. after school care, respite care, summer camps, support services | % of reduction of caregiver burden and stress   | reduced stress/burden / Quality of Life                           |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | nutrition program - congregate meal program   | Percent of participants that have increased social interaction  | Improved social connectedness / Quality of Life                   |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | senior nutrition - congregate meal and home delivered meals   | Percent of participants with improvement in quality of dietary intake   | Improved quality of dietary intake / improved health status       |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | health and fitness, health promotion  | Percentage of participants with increased engagement in physical and health enhancing activity  | Improved health status / quality of life                          |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Health and fitness  | Percent of participants having increased self-confidence (self-efficacy) regarding their ability to improve and maintain health and fitness | Improvement in capacity to remain independent                     |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | case management/support services/residential services/ vocational services                                | % of customers who have no reported safety issues for 12 months   | Remaining in the community in least restrictive setting of choice |
| Greater Independence                    | educational scholarship   | % of customers that are supported by scholarship funds that complete the certificate program  | improved preparation/knowledge                                    |

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### Behavioral Health and Crisis Services

| Outcome Area                            | Type of Service  | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct                    |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| Risk Mitigation                         | Outpatient and residential substance abuse treatment.  | At least 60% of clients who meet the average Length of stay of 90 days in treatment program.  | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Greater Independence                    | Outpatient and residential substance abuse treatment.  | At least 60% of clients who have housing at time of discharge from treatment.   | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Risk Mitigation                         | outpatient victim counseling and advocacy  | % of sexual assault and crime victim clients who show a reduction in trauma symptoms  | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Parent Training Program for parents of mentally ill adults<br><br>Outreach & Education on health/mental health resources for Korean residents<br><br>Education on parental rights & domestic violence for immigrants for African countries | % of participants with increased awareness of mental health resources & coping skills measured by post-test results.<br><br>% of participants with increased awareness of health & mental health resources measured by post-test results.<br><br>% of participants with increased awareness of domestic violence and parental protection laws as demonstrated by post test results. | Improved functioning/quality of life |

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| Outcome Area                            | Type of Service   | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct                    |
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| Greater Independence                    | Consumer-Run Programs   | % of consumers enrolled in training who complete a Wellness Recovery Action Plan.<br>% of consumers who completed a plan who have indicated that the plan improved their functioning and quality of life. | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Greater Independence                    | Training in computer applications<br><br>Supported Employment/Education<br><br>Work readiness training, job coaching & placement for young adults.          | % of training participants that complete training.<br><br>% of individuals who obtain full or part time employment.   | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Specialized Therapeutic Nursery Program for high-risk infants/toddlers (Pre-K).   | % of children enrolled in the Therapeutic Nursery Program that enter kindergarten ready to learn.   | Improved functioning/quality of life |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence | Outpatient Mental Health Clinic Services for persons with a serious and persistent mental illness licensed by the MD Department of Health & Mental Hygiene. | % of consumers reporting an increase in well-being using the MHSIP  | Improved functioning/quality of life |

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| Risk Mitigation,<br>Greater Independence | domestic violence<br>victim advocacy and<br>counseling  | % of Partner Abuse Clients who have<br>put in place an appropriate safety plan.  | Safety            |
| Risk Mitigation                          | outpatient abuser<br>treatment/ counseling  | % of Clients completing Domestic<br>Violence Abuser Intervention Program<br>counseling who report ceasing physical<br>abuse in previous 6 months as measured<br>on Conflict Tactics Scale-II.  | Safety            |
| Risk Mitigation                          | Respite care for<br>parents/caregivers of<br>high-risk<br>children/adolescents<br>with severe emotional<br>disturbance. | % of caregivers who utilized respite<br>services that report that the respite<br>helped them to better cope with stressors<br>of providing care.<br><br>% of caregivers who reported that they<br>were close to returning child to the State<br>but were willing to keep child in foster<br>placement longer as direct result of<br>receiving respite. | Stability         |
| Risk Mitigation<br>Greater Independence  | Assisted living services<br>that provide total care<br>for severely mentally ill<br>adults. .                           | % of residents of the Assisted Living<br>Program that remain stable in the<br>community as demonstrated by a written<br>annual assessment & continued<br>residence in the program for 365<br>continuous days.  | Stability         |

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| Outcome Area                        | Type of Service  | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct  |
| Risk Mitigation                     | Early Childhood Mentoring  | % of child care staff receiving onsite mentoring who fully implement curriculum strategies                            | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness |
| Greater Independence                | Parent coaching provided during home based service provision aimed at addressing goals on the Individualized Family Services Plan  | % of families who report that they have learned how to meet their child's special needs                               | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness |
| Greater Independence                | Therapeutic and educational Services including Occupational Therapy, Mental Health, Special Education, Physical therapy , Speech and Language Pathology, Audiology, etc. | 100 % of Individualized Family Service Plan goals related to school readiness will be met                             | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness |
| Risk Management                     | Early Childhood Direct Svcs.   | % of children enrolled who are immunized on schedule  | Improved health status and school readiness                |
| Risk Management                     | Early Childhood Direct Svcs.   | Percentage of children identified with developmental delays who are linked to early intervention and support services | Improved pre-school and school readiness                   |
| Risk Management                     | Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation   | Percentage of child care staff who feel more capable of dealing with children's behaviors based on survey results     | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness |

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|----------------------|---|---|--|
| Risk Management      | Early childhood Mental health consultation  | Percentage of child care staff who report that children's behavior improved based on survey results   | Improved preschool or school child behavior and school readiness |
| Risk Management      | Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation  | Percentage of children at risk for expulsion from child care settings who are retained in a licensed childcare/Pre-Kindergarten setting   | Improved preschool or school child behavior                      |
| Greater Independence | Child Care Training   | Percentage of workshop participants who receive Maryland State Department of Education Office of Child Care Core of Knowledge credit.   | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness       |
| Greater Independence | Child Care Training   | Percentage of registered participants in series classes who receive Maryland State Department of Education Office of Child Care Core of Knowledge credit for the entire series. | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness       |
| Greater Independence | Early Childhood Training (college only)   | Percentage of registered college students who receive full credit for their coursework and whose grade is "C" or above.   | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness       |
| Greater Independence | Early Childhood Mentoring   | Percentage of child care providers who rate mentoring support "good" or "excellent" based on survey results.  | Improved parent/caregiver preparation and school readiness       |
| Greater Independence | Individual/Family/Group Counseling, Psycho-Educational Workshops/other prevention programming | % of clients who report an increase in their knowledge of and ability to identify individual, family or community risk factors.   | Improved adolescent/parent awareness of risk factors             |



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| Outcome Area         | Type of Service   | Performance Measure  | Outcome Construct                                       |
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| Risk Management      | Individual/Family/Group Counseling, Case Management     | % of clients participating in ongoing services who demonstrate improved social/emotional well-being per one or more of the indicators below: 1. Child self-esteem; 2. School connectedness; 3. Relationship with family/pro-social adults; 4. Psychosocial functioning; 5. Prosocial skills.                     | Improved child or adolescent social/emotional wellbeing |
| Risk Management      | Individual/Family/Group Counseling, Case Management     | % of clients participating in ongoing services targeting school functioning who demonstrate improved school functioning per one or more of the indicators listed below: 1. Improved attendance; 2. Improved classroom behavior; 3. Reduced disciplinary referrals; 4. Reduced suspensions; 5. Improved academics | Improved child or adolescent school functioning         |
| Greater Independence | Attachment and Bonding Studies / Court-Ordered Services | 90% of families report a decrease in family conflict following treatment   | Improved Family Functioning                             |
| Risk Management      | Attachment and Bonding Studies / Court-Ordered Services | 1) 99% of children in foster and kinship care are not subjected to abuse or neglect by their caregiver<br>2) 80% of children who are placed in out-of-home care are either reunited with their family or placed for adoption   | Improved Family Functioning                             |

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| Risk Management      | Community Education              | 1) 95% of audience demonstrates increased knowledge/awareness of the topic presented, as reported by participants' post-presentation questionnaire<br>2) Of the individuals who are recruited and express an interest in becoming foster/adoptive parents, 100% of the contact information will be given to the Foster and Adoptive Home Studies (FAHS) Unit for action to continue the recruitment process | Increased stability and security for abused and neglected children                                |
| Risk Management      | Foster and Adoptive Home Studies | 95% of the applications will be processed through completion, resulting in 24 newly approved foster homes annually  | Increased stability and security for abused and neglected children                                |
| Greater Independence | Post-Adoption Services           | 1) 90% of families report an improvement in family communication following treatment<br>2) 90% of families report a decrease in family conflict following treatment   | Increased stability and security for abused and neglected children<br>Improved family functioning |
| Risk Management      | Post-Adoption Services           | Increase parental knowledge/skills which contribute to an increased understanding of the adopted child and a nurturing, safe and healthy home environment, as evidenced by pre- and post-assessment instrument results.   | Improved parent/caregiver preparation   |

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| Outcome Area         | Type of Service   | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct  |
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| Risk Mitigation      | Weekend and Holiday Child and Adult Protective Services | Fewer than 5% of emergency calls and fewer than 5% of incidents responded to by the Contractor will result in complaints from all stakeholders regarding the handling of a situation and Contractor's compliance with laws, protocols, policies and procedures.   | Increased stability and security for abused and neglected children |
| Risk Mitigation      | Weekend and Holiday Child and Adult Protective Services | 100% of the Contractor's decisions related to ensuring child safety will be determined to be appropriate and in compliance with applicable laws and mandates based on a weekly / monthly review by CWS of all required shift documentation.   | Increased stability and security for abused and neglected children |
| Greater Independence | Service Coordination and Parenting Skills Training      | 1) 90% of families report a decrease in family conflict following treatment<br>2) 90% of families report using learned parenting techniques, as a result of parenting skills curriculum   | Improved Family Functioning  |
| Risk Mitigation      | Service Coordination and Parenting Skills Training      | 1) 94% of families receiving in-home services have no child protective service investigation with an abuse or neglect finding within one year after receiving services [State Goal = 92%]<br><br>2) 95% of families receiving in-home services have no child protective service investigations with abuse or neglect findings while receiving services [State Goal = 95%] | Improved Family Functioning  |

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| Outcome Area         | Type of Service  | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct                                       |
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| Risk Mitigation      | Multiple contractors provide a variety of services which include; Outpatient Treatment, Residential Treatment, Mentoring; Academic Tutoring, Positive Youth Development; and Leadership Development. | 80% of adolescents served will show a reduction in risky behaviors while in the program.  | Reduction in risky behaviors                            |
| Risk Mitigation      | Multiple contractors provide a variety of services which include; Outpatient Treatment, Residential Treatment, Mentoring; Academic Tutoring, Positive Youth Development; and Leadership Development. | 80% of adolescents served will show improved self-esteem, or a stronger sense of identity.  | Improved child or adolescent social/emotional wellbeing |
| Greater Independence | Contractor engages TCA clients in work and work activities   | 100% Universal Engagement in work activities; 50% Work Participation; 410 TCA Customers Placed in Jobs; 40% earnings gain rate; 70 % job retention rate; 40% employed must be eligible for health insurance within 12 months; average hourly wage for employed must be \$8.60/hr. | Improved family self sufficiency                        |

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| Office of Community Affairs             |                         |   |                          |
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| Outcome Area                            | Type of Service         | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct        |
| Risk Management<br>Greater Independence | Supporting Services     | Proportion of individuals linked to services that address basic needs that have acquired the basic needs (including food or clothing) they required due to the service they received.               | increased income         |
| Greater Independence                    | Education and Training  | Proportion of individuals enrolled in training and/or classes that achieve their personal goals as a result of training provided  | achieve personal goals   |
| Greater Independence                    | Employment and Training | Proportion of individuals enrolled in the training/employment services that were offered employment as a result of the training and/or employment services received                                 | employment/job readiness |
| Greater Independence                    | Education and Training  | Proportion of individuals enrolled in the training/employment services that received requests to interview for potential employment as a result of the training and/or employment services received | employment/job readiness |
| Risk Mitigation                         | Emergency Services      | Percentage of individuals who move from a vulnerable or crisis situation to a stable situation after receiving services   | Self sufficiency         |

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| <b>Outcome Area</b>  | <b>Type of Service</b>     | <b>Performance Measure</b>  | <b>Outcome Construct</b> |
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| Greater Independence | Information and Assistance | Proportion of individuals who entered the referral and navigation system-related services that received information, referral or services for which they were seeking | Access to services       |

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| Public Health Services |   |   |                        |
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| Outcome Area           | Type of Service   | Performance Measure   | Outcome Construct      |
| Risk Mitigation        | Preventive Care and Community Treatment Services                                | Percent of enrolled clients that upon receipt of services from a PHS program have an improved level of health status.   | Improved Health Status |
|                        | Education and Awareness   | Percent of clients that receive health service(s) demonstrated to improve knowledge regarding healthy behaviors and choices.  |                        |
|                        | Access to healthcare<br>Community Treatment Services<br>Education and Awareness | Percent of clients that receive a health-related service that improves access to recommended prevention, screening, treatment, health education or follow-up services |                        |
|                        | Education and awareness<br>Prevention Services                                  | Percent of persons that receive a health-related service that protects the public's health  |                        |

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| Special Needs Housing |                                   |  |                         |
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| Outcome Area          | Type of Service                   | Performance Measure  | Outcome Construct       |
| Risk Mitigation       | Homeless Outreach Services        | Percent of street homeless individuals contacted who are placed in shelter or permanent housing.             | homelessness prevention |
| Greater Independence  | Housing Counselor                 | Percent of homeless households receiving housing counseling services that obtained permanent housing.        | permanent housing       |
| Greater Independence  | Housing First (Shelter Services)  | Percent of households that exited shelter into permanent housing within the guidelines of "Housing First."   | emergency shelter       |
| Greater Independence  | Housing First (Permanent Housing) | Percent of households that have maintained their permanent housing within the guidelines of "Housing First." | permanent housing       |